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Jason Rickabaugh jasonpr@gmail.com By electronic mail only

Subject: Response to Citizen Comments, Geneva Rock Products, Point of the Mountain (South

Hansen), M/035/0026, Salt Lake County, Utah

Dear Mr. Rickabaugh:

In your email sent on March 8, 2016, you asked the following questions:

- 1. Is the land identified as reclaimed actually reclaimed?
- 2. If the land is to be reclaimed how will the operator reclaim it with 1H:1V slopes given there appears to be a section 3H:2V?

In your email you refer in paragraph 1 to page 81 and page 55 of the 2009 Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (NOI). Both pages 81 and 55 are email correspondence between the operator's consultant and the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. These pages are not considered part of the NOI, but are supporting data to the NOI. This is the reason they are included in an appendix. To directly answer your questions:

- 1. No, the land is not reclaimed. Please see Figure 6 (page 47 of the scanned pdf file) of the NOI.
- 2. A 1H:1V slope is a 45-degree slope; a 3H:2V slope is a 33-degree slope. As committed to in the reclamation plan on Figure 6, the slopes are to be reclaimed to 45 degrees per rule R647-4-111.7. At this time the operator has not requested a variance. If the operator chooses to request a variance in the future, the operator would be required to submit a geotechnical report signed and stamped by the geotechnical engineer of record for a slope steeper than 45 degrees.

I hope these responses adequately address your questions and concerns, as the Division is able to do so within the scope of its authority.



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Please contact the Leslie Heppler at 801-538-5257, or me at 801-538-5261 with further questions.

Sincerely,

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